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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
HEIKO MAAS, ET AL. : EXAMINER: PRICE, ELVIS O.
SERIAL NO: 09/926,168 :
FILED: SEPTEMBER 18, 2001 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1621
FOR: PROCESS FOR THE :
PREPARATION OF SURFACTANT :
ALCOHOLS AND SURFACTANT :
ALCOHOL ETHERS, THE PREPARED :
PRODUCTS AND THEIR USE :

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action of April 21, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Basis for the Amendment begins on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.